

**U.S. EXPRESS MAIL # EL818813231US**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Applicants : Ami Verhalen et al.  
Serial No. :  
Int'l. Appln. No. : PCT/US00/11766  
Int'l. Filing Date : 29 April 2000  
Title : SLICING MACHINE, AND METHOD OF USE AND  
COMPONENTS THEREOF  
Docket No. : 006593-1966

BOX PCT  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the Examiner's attention is directed to the references listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation, copies of which are attached.

It is to be understood that the present submission of art is in no way intended to be a waiver of any arguments or defenses available to the applicant under the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the statutes of the United States.

No fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required by this paper or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0809.

Respectfully submitted:

Date: 26 October 2001

By:

  
Michael J. Nieberding  
Reg. No. 39,316

THOMPSON HINE LLP  
2000 Courthouse Plaza N.E.  
10 West Second Street  
Dayton, Ohio 45402-1758  
Telephone: (937) 443-6892  
Facsimile: (937) 443-6635